

# Opinions of Campus Echo Readers

## SG Blasted

Dear Miss Jarman:

As an interested student, I am greatly concerned about the student body and the operations of their student government. I think that the students have dangerously goofed in the selection of a student government president. A preview of what was in store for them was shown last May when Mr. Lacy Streeter gave his inauguration address. On this occasion the president-elect re-defined inaugural address by reading newspaper clipping on developments in the sit-in movement in New York, Mass., and other far-off places. This is what he gave us instead of stating his aims and aspirations for the student body. Please be advised he has none. At the present the SG has done nothing. Thanks for this goes undivided to Mr. Streeter.

When the SG was to send representatives to the Interim Council meeting at Duke Sunday (Nov. 13, 1960), it did not. Mr. Streeter did not find time to appoint anyone, nor will he let Mr. Charles McNeil, who was elected Vice President last year, conduct it for him. At this time he has not appointed anyone (he is thinking about it), nor has he

arranged for a general campus election, as should be done.

Now that a certain dance has been forbidden on campus, against the will of the student body, the SG has again assumed the seat of solitude and indecision. In this leadership? No, it is gross incompetence.

When talent shows were suddenly cancelled, what did the SG president do? Is not the SG to represent the students on matters such as this. There will be no more talent shows nor anything else as long as Dean Latham exercises dictatorial powers and no one protests. Silence then is the theme of the Streeter administration.

Even in the field of race relations, his main and whole interest, he has done nothing. On occasions students from Duke have invited students from NCC to come and discuss racial problems and perhaps through discussion solve some of them. No similar invitation has been extended to the Duke University student body. On this, too, he said simply that he has not had time.

When students from Duke did come as part of the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration, they were not invited to discuss race relations. But our SG president seemingly did not know this. Here he attacked the students on civil rights, etc. This, however, was not the topic of discussion. Was this a display of leadership? I call it ignorance.

Mr. Streeter, who never worked with the SG before and who rode into office on the tail of the sit-in movement, is now in utter confusion. From his inauguration address, it was obvious that he had no plans for a student program, and in less than two months, he has erased any and all doubts.

Mr. Streeter has no office hours, and seemingly cannot devote any of his time to the students. If this is the case, as indications are, he should, in all due respect to the student body and as an honorable deed, resign, make his non-duties and responsibilities official. Surely things could not be worse.

Very truly yours,  
Thomas Lee Cameron

## Food Comments

Dear Editor:

As I sat in the canteen calmly picking the remnants of a delightful turkey salad from my molars, rumor came to me that scores of my colleagues were



"Hold it fellows, we got more than enough now."

confined to the infirmary for the purpose of having the same delightful cuisine literally pumped from their stomachs. Quite alarmed, I dashed home and downed a box of MgSO<sub>4</sub>, vigorously brushed my teeth to remove any of the toxic-producing fowl that may have clung thereon, then maintained a 24-hour guard on the water closet. Fortunately, the quick-cures I had undertaken were unnecessary because, somehow, my serving of that cursed bird had escaped infection.

I realized, however, that next time I may not be so lucky. therefore. I wonder if you can

assure me that I've nothing to fear. I don't expect you to microscopically examine everything brought into our cupboards that has flown or shown the desire to fly. Neither do I expect you to embark on a crusade to have said fowl banned from our cafeteria. This should be a very easy task, however,

since by the time Thanksgiving rolls around again you will be an alumna. I'm simply asking you to secure copies of the menus, and, by the power vested in you as editor, publish same as a warning to us who must take repast in those hallowed spaces.

Yours truly,  
Leslie Carson.

## Poet's Nook

### Death is Eternal

Death is eternal;  
From the fate of Abel,  
To the end of time.  
In life as in death are we linked.  
Death knows no bounds of age;  
From Methuselah,  
To the suckling babe.

Death is incessant;  
knowledge inferior  
Magnanimous,  
Under the mein of disease and  
accident  
Irrevocable death vigilantly  
comes.  
From the caprices of nature  
To the ceaseless meditation of  
murder.

Death is infinite;  
From the gates of hell,  
To the portals of paradise  
Is death's domain.  
Death is a necessity of life.  
From death comes immortal  
life,  
Therefore in perpetual life is  
death.  
Yes,

Death is eternal.  
Joseph Goodwater

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